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Mr. Scott Pfeiffer-reply sent via e-mail to:
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Director of Maintenance
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Re: Request for Extension of Emergency Groundwater Transfer

Dear Mr. Pfeiffer,

I am responding to your e-mail to me dated January 15, 2008 in which you requested an extension of the emergency groundwater transfer that I approved for Grand Canyon West on January 4, 2008. The approval allowed you to transport groundwater by motor vehicle from Joshua Valley Water Company in the Meadview Groundwater Basin to Grand Canyon West in the Peach Springs Groundwater Basin while the pipeline that normally serves groundwater to Grand Canyon West from wells in the Peach Springs Groundwater Basin was being repaired. My approval was subject to several conditions, including a condition that the approval was valid only through January 18, 2008.

You state in your e-mail that although you have repaired all of the breaks in the pipeline, water flows through the pipeline for only a couple of hours per day and the flow is very limited because the pipeline freezes at night and remains frozen until the afternoon. You state that this is because the pipeline was never installed to a sufficient depth to prevent freezing. You have been working to bury the pipeline deeper, and state that this will take several weeks to complete due to the terrain and road conditions. In the meantime, you are concerned that the pipeline may break again, which would stop all flow of groundwater to Grand Canyon West through the pipeline. You are requesting an extension of the emergency groundwater transfer until you can complete your work in burying the pipeline or until freezing is no longer an issue.

I have determined that your request for an extension of the emergency groundwater transfer satisfies all of the applicable criteria in Laws 2007, Ch. 149, § (1)(B). Your request is therefore approved. The extension is valid only through **February 29, 2008**. Groundwater may not be transported after that date unless approved in writing by the director of water resources. This extension of the emergency groundwater transfer is subject to all other conditions set forth in my letter to you dated January 4, 2008.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Herbert R. Guenther", is written in dark ink.

Herbert R. Guenther

HRG:KCS:ckl